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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The documents listed on the attached PT0/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese application. A partial English translation of the Japanese Office Action of February 22, 2006, follows:

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H2-72752

2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H10-175385

Regarding the inventions relating to Claims 1 through 8

Aforementioned Cited Examples 1 and 2

Aforementioned Cited Example 2 describes using the number of digits of a numeral sequence as well as special symbols and special characters such as □ [postal code symbol] and TEL as a basis for evaluating the numeral sequence when reading a calling card by OCR, and states that display and editing are carried out by way of post-processing for character recognition (paragraphs (0031), (0032), etc).

• Prior art literature Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H5-328088

Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2001-306457

This Record of Prior Art Literature Search Results does not constitute a reason for rejection.

A copy of Document D4 (JP 2-072752) is not included herein, as this reference was provided in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement of June 30, 2003.

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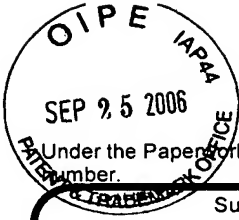
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	D3	JP	05-328088		SHARP CORPORATION	12-10-1993		A
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